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Y1/2 Cycle A 2026/27	Autumn 1	Spring 1	Summer 1
	What does Chadsmead look like on a map?	What is it like to live in Jamaica?	Cold Places: Where are they are what are they like?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where in the world are we? What are the countries of the UK? Where is my school? What can I see on a map of my school? If the Mr Men came to our school, where in the school grounds would we find them? What can we see in our classroom? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where is Jamaica? How is Jamaica affected by it's climate? What are the human and physical features of Jamaica? What is it like in the capital city of Jamaica? What do they grow in Jamaica? What would a holiday in Jamaica be like? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why is it so cold? Where are the North and South Poles? What is it like in the Arctic Circle? What is the climate of Antarctica? How do people live in the Arctic Circle? Why do people go to Antarctica?
Y1/2 Cycle B 2025/26	Autumn 2	Spring 2	Summer 2
	What is it like to live in Zambia?	Is the UK the same all over?	What is it like where we live?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where is Zambia Where is Mugurameno? Why is the River Zambezi important? What animals are there in Zambia? How are houses built in Mugurameno? What is life like for children in Mugurameno? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the UK? How can we tell if a place is urban or rural? What is special about Scotland? What is special about England? What is special about Wales? What is special about Northern Ireland? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Which continent do I live on? Where in the UK do I live? What type of settlement do I live in? What can we see on a map of Lichfield? What can we see in our local area? Can we map our local area?

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Y3/4 Cycle A 2026/27	Autumn 1	Spring 1	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Where in the world am I?	How does London, England compare to Oslo, Norway?	How does water go round and round?	How do regions of the UK vary?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What are lines of longitude and latitude? Which countries share the continent I live on? How do I use grid references in an atlas? What are four-figure grid references? What is near our school? What are the 8 points of a compass? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is Scandinavia? How do the climate and vegetation of the UK and Scandinavia compare? What is the weather like in Scandinavia? Do Scandinavia and the UK have the same physical features? Does Scandinavia and the UK have the same human geography? How does London, England compare to Oslo, Norway? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the water cycle? Why do we need water? Do we have enough water? How much water do we use? Why do we pay for water? How can we conserve water? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is a county? How many cities are in the UK? Is the UK flat? Where do our rivers flow? What is the link between football and industry? How are Birmingham and Blackpool the same or different?
Y3/4 Cycle B 2025/26	Autumn 2		Spring 2	
	Why does it matter where our food comes from?		Why do people live near volcanoes?	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where does our food come from? What is Fair Trade? Why do some foods have longer journeys than others? How far has my school dinner travelled? How does a farmer decide what to grow? 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is a volcano just a mountain that explodes? Do volcanoes just appear anywhere on Earth? Does every volcanic eruption explode violently? Do the benefits of living near a volcano outweigh the risks? Would you like to visit Cotapaxi in Ecuador? How is life in Hawaii different from life in the UK? 	

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Y5/6 Cycle A 2026/27	Autumn 1	Spring 1	Summer 1
	How can we use and interpret maps?	Why are rivers so important?	Where shall we go on holiday?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can an index help me use an atlas? • How can a compass help me follow a route? • What are six-figure grid references? • How do I work out a distance on a map? • How can I use skills I have learnt to plan a route? • Can I follow my route? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What part do rivers play in the water cycle? • What is the journey of a river like? • Do all rivers flow south? • Why don't rivers travel in straight lines? • Why do rivers flood? • How can we reduce flooding? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why isn't it the same time everywhere in the world? • How and why do climates differ around the world? • What is a biome? • How do population distribution and major cities shape human geography? • How is the economy of a country shaped by its natural resources and industries? • Where would you go and what would you visit?
Y5/6 Cycle B 2025/26	Autumn 2	Spring 2	Summer 2
	How do mountains impact the world beyond their height?	Why do some earthquakes cause more damage than others?	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is a mountain? • How are mountains made? • What is it like on a mountain? • What is it like at Base Camp, Mount Everest? • What are the UK's highest mountains like? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the Earth is solid, how can it move enough to cause an earthquake? • How do scientists measure earthquakes, and how do they know how strong one is? • Where do earthquakes happen? • What can the 2011 Honshu earthquake teach us about earthquakes and their impacts? • How can preparation reduce earthquake damage, and how do countries help their people—and each other—after an earthquake? 	